GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA

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External Aid for Development of Tourism
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank and Asian Development Bank have provided any financial assistance/aid for tourism development in the country during the last five years and the current year;
(b) if so, the details of the amount, project and State/UT-wise along with the status of such projects;
(c) the details of the utilisation of the said financial assistance, State/UT-wise; and
(d) the time by which the said projects are likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) to (d): Details of financial assistance received from the World Bank for development of the tourism sector in the country during the last five years are as follows:

The Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, the Departments of Tourism of the Governments of Bihar and Uttar Pradesh and International Finance Corporation (World Bank Group) had entered into an agreement in October 2013 to cooperate in upgrading the quality of services and goods provided for tourists along the "Buddhist Circuit" in India. The project has been completed. The contributions for the project (Phase-I) were as follows:

Total Cost : Rs. 450 lakh
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IFC − 40% of the project cost in Phase-I Rs.180 lakh
Ministry of Tourism − 50% of the project cost in Phase-I Rs.225 lakh
State Govts of Uttar Pradesh & Bihar − 5% each of the project cost in Phase-I Rs.45 lakh
(Rs.22.50 lakh each)
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The details of financial assistance received from the Asian Development Bank for development of the tourism sector in the country may be seen at annexure.

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